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SUBJECT: CATEGORY OF AIRPLANES EQUIPPED FOR ASBMS
(SALT TWO 1793)

1. DELEGATION BELIEVES THAT MOVEMENT TOWARD RESOLUTION OF
PARAGRAPH 3 OF ARTICLE II (HEAVY BOMBER DEFINITION) IS
POSSIBLE WITH ACCEPTANCE OF TYPE RULE, INCLUDING FRODS,
FOR ASBM CARRIERS.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF ASBM CARRIERS WOULD ENHANCE VERIFICATION
AND BE GENERALLY CONSISTENT WITH APPROACH FOR OTHER SYSTEMS
E.G., CRUISE MISSILE CARRIERS. THE APPROACH IS SOMEWHAT
DIFFERENT SINCE ARTICLE III.5 EXCLUDES SOME CARRIERS FROM
COUNTING AND ONLY ASBMS THEMSELVES COUNT IN AGGREGATE
LIMITATIONS. DELEGATION RECOGNIZES THAT INCLUSION OF ASBM
CARRIERS IN TYPE RULE COULD REDUCE FLEXIBILITY IN DESIGN
OF ASBM CARRIERS.

3. UNLESS INSTRUCTED TO THE CONTRARY PRIOR TO JULY 7,
1978, THE DELEGATION PLANS TO INCORPORATE TYPE RULE FOR
ASBM CARRIERS ON CONDITION THAT ARTICLE III.5 REMAINS UN-
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